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**Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.**

The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

## **DETAILED ACTION**

This is in reference to response received 03 May 2007.

**In the amended claims 1 and 35**, applicant claims invention with limitations of generating a document by receiving a selection input; in response to receiving the selection input, processing rules to determine which of one or more components of a plurality of components to include in a document; obtaining each of the plurality of components as determined by the processing of the rules; generating said document to include each of the obtained components; and making said document available to a user.

As currently claimed by the applicant, it is not clear how the examiner should perform a search for the claimed invention. For example, user inputs "Yes" for creating a document, and applicant's claimed invention decides which component it should use to generate the document desired by the user and present the document to the user, or, applicant's invention provides an interface to a user, and the user using the provided interface makes selection upon which applicant's invention applies rules to identify components to generate the documents.

**In amended claims 15 and 52**, applicant claims invention with limitation of generating a document by receiving selection inputs selecting a compensation component and a textual component; in response to receiving the selection inputs,

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processing rules to determine which of one or more components of a plurality of components to include in a document in addition to the compensation component and a textual component, obtaining the compensation component, the textual component, and each of the plurality of components to be included in the document as determined by the processing of the rules is associated with at least one product; and generating said document to include each of the obtained components.

As currently claimed by the applicant, it is not clear how the examiner should perform a search for the claimed invention. For example, user inputs "6%" and "Good Morning" for creating a document, and applicant's claimed invention decides which product document user wants, which component it should use to generate the document desired by the user and present the document to the user, or, applicant's invention provides an interface to a user, and the user using the provided interface makes selection upon which applicant's invention applies rules to identify components to generate the documents.

**In amended claims 29 and 66**, applicant claims invention with limitation of generating a document by presenting a modeling interface to a user, obtaining modeling information from said user via said modeling interface; generating at least one compensation plan from said modeling information; generating at least one compensation component; obtaining at least one textual element; generating at least one textual component comprising said at least one textual element; including respective rules associated with the compensation component and the textual

component in a document template; and associating said at least one compensation component and said at least one textual component with the document template.

As currently claimed by the applicant as their claimed invention, applicant has not positively claimed how this method step is tied to the claimed invention.

To expedite the prosecution of the application, examiner had attempted and was not able to contact applicant's representative. In response to this office action, applicant can amend the pending claims to positively claim the invention, or, provide information on how examiner should interpret the claimed invention during examination of the application.

Applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Naresh Vig whose telephone number is (571) 272-6810. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thu 7:00 - 5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John Weiss can be reached on (571) 272-6812. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Naresh Vig". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial "N" and a long, horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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Examiner  
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